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## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Two-side coated paper dry silver photothermo-5 graphic imaying elements suffer from hubbling on the second coated side. The use of polyvinylavetate as pect of the binding madis for the second coated emulsion has been found to reduce the problem.

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The embodiments of the invention in which an exclusive property or privilege is claimed are defined as follows:

- A two-side imagesble photothermographic element comprising;
  - a) a paper substrate, and
  - b) on each side of said paper substress at least one layer of a photebreanographic langing system which comprises binder, light-sensitive silver halids, a light-insensitive silver source meterial, and a teducing sigent for silver ion.

at least one of said at least one layer of enid photocheracographic imaging system having an imaging layer 15 the total solids of which comprises more than 2% by weight of polyvinyl acetate.

- The element of claim 1 wherein said polywinyl acetate is present as a polymer having at least 50% by veight of its units derived from vinyl acetats.
  - The element of claim 1 wherein told polyvinyl acetate is present as a homopolymer of polyvinyl acetate.
- 25 4, The element of claim 1 wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 2.5% by weight of polyvinyl average.
- The element of claim 1 wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 3% by weight of polyvinyl acetate.
  - 6. The element of claim I wherein said imaging layer comprises at least 59 but less than  $500\,\mathrm{hy}$  weight of polyvinyl acetate.
- 35 7. The element of claim 2 wherein sold imaging layer comprises at least 2.5% by weight of polyvinyi acetate.